

ABSTRACT

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1883

Thomas-Rollins House

Tilghmanton-Boonsboro Vicinity

private

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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<b>1. NAME</b>						
COMMON: <b>Thomas - Rollins House</b>						
AND/OR HISTORIC:						
<b>2. LOCATION</b>						
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>Manor Church Road</b>						
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Tilghmanton-Boonsboro Vicinity</b>						
STATE <b>Maryland</b>			COUNTY: <b>Washington</b>			
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>						
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC	
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)						
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____ _____
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>						
OWNER'S NAME: <b>Robert H. Rollins II</b>						
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>Route # 1, Box 387</b>						
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Boonsboro</b>			STATE: <b>Maryland</b>		<b>21740</b>	
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>						
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: <b>Washington County Court House</b>						
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>West Washington Street</b>						
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Hagerstown</b>			STATE: <b>Maryland</b>		<b>21740</b>	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): <b>544/621</b>						
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>						
TITLE OF SURVEY:						
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local						
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:						
STREET AND NUMBER:						
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:			

7. DESCRIPTION			
CONDITION	(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair
	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)		(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncluttered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE			
<p>This house is located at a sharp bend in Manor Church Road, about one half mile west of its junction with Wheeler, Monroe and Mill Point Roads in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on a ridge and faces west.</p> <p>The structure is a two story, four bay brick dwelling set on coursed limestone foundations. A two story, two bay ell extends to the rear. A section of the ell is sheathed with wooden siding concealing what appears to have been a recessed double porch. The bricks are laid in common bond at all elevations with generally five rows of stretchers between courses of headers. Decorative arches of brick are present over all openings. A brick in the recessed porch at the ell was inscribed with the date 1883.</p> <p>Windows and doors appear to be spaced evenly in the walls. Two over two pane double hung sashes are held within narrow frames. Most windows are flanked with pairs of louvered shutters which are also flared at their tops.</p> <p>A pair of identical entrances is located in the center bays of the front elevation. Each door is topped with an arched two light transom. A two bay, shed roofed entrance porch supported by square posts shelters the front doors.</p> <p>The roof is covered with modern asphalt shingles and extends beyond the end walls terminating with a plain barge board. The eaves are finished with a course of simple molding. Small brick chimneys are located inside each gable end.</p> <p>Just behind the house is a one and a half story, two bay brick out kitchen equipped with a large fireplace and an exterior bake oven. Foundations of a barn are located nearby.</p> <p>The buildings are in excellent condition and are located on a tract containing 7.09 acres.</p>			

**8. SIGNIFICANCE****PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

**SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1883 - Datestone****AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

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|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  |  |

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The area of significance of this house is its architecture. Built in 1883, and having received few alterations, the structure is an excellent dated example of the brick vernacular architecture of Washington County dating from the last quarter of the 19th century. The house was owned by the Thomas family from 1871 to 1943. The land, part of the "Resurvey on Contentment" was purchased by Solomon S. Thomas from Joel Schlosser, trustee, on May 1, 1871. (Liber WMCKK3, Folio 442). It would appear that Solomon S. Thomas was the builder of the house.

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **7.09 acres.**

Acreage Justification:

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## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

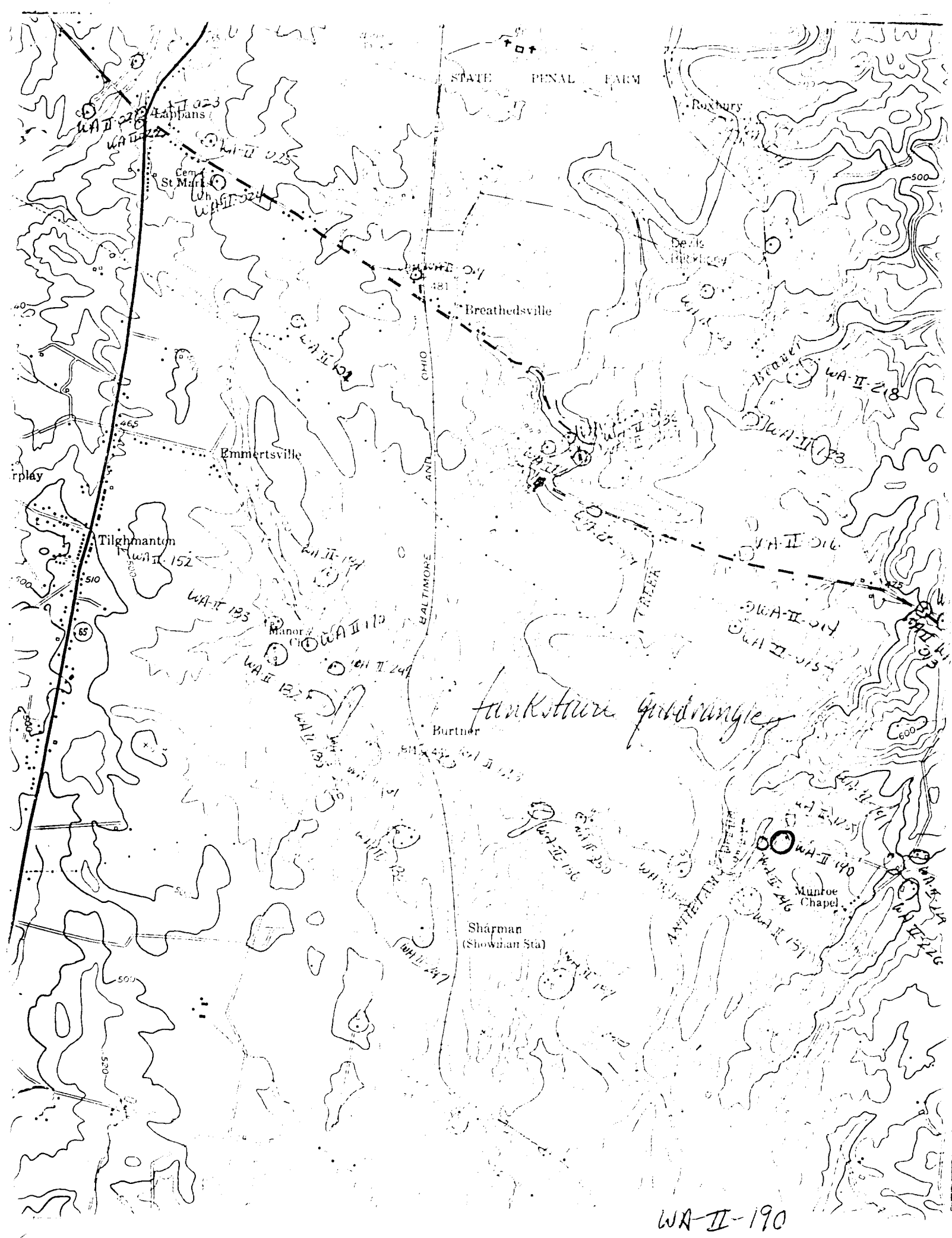
NAME AND TITLE: <b>Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant</b>	
ORGANIZATION <b>Washington County Historical Sites Survey</b>	DATE <b>December 1975</b>
STREET AND NUMBER: <b>Court House Annex</b>	
CITY OR TOWN: <b>Hagerstown</b>	STATE <b>Maryland</b>

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

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